

1971, Father's Day, as National Multiple Sclerosis Society Annual Hope Chest Appeal Weeks.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD NIXON, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim the period from May 9, 1971, through June 20, 1971, as National Multiple Sclerosis Society Annual Hope Chest Appeal Weeks. I invite the Governors of the States and the appropriate officials of other areas under the United States flag to issue similar proclamations.

I urge the people of this Nation and their educational, philanthropic, scientific, medical, and health care professions and organizations to join in providing the assistance and resources necessary to discover the cause of multiple sclerosis and its cure and to help alleviate the suffering of persons stricken by this disease.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this eighth day of May, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred ninety-fifth.



PROCLAMATION 4053

Voluntary Overseas Aid Week and Human Development Month

May 11, 1971

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

During this month of May 1971, we take grateful note of the twenty-five years of constructive leadership provided by the Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid.

United States voluntary agencies, working in close association with the Advisory Committee, have through the years given needed assistance to promote economic and social development in over one hundred countries of the world.

The International Walk for Development, which has recently taken place, focused on the need to continue humanitarian assistance and economic development through voluntary action.


It is fitting that we commend the good will of the people of our country, manifested by our overseas programs of development and relief, and the humanitarian work and interest of these nonprofit service organizations.

To this end, the Congress has requested the President to designate the week beginning May 9, 1971, as Voluntary Overseas Aid Week and the month of May 1971 as Human Development Month.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD NIXON, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate the week beginning May 9, 1971, as Voluntary Overseas Aid Week and the month of May 1971 as Human Development Month.

I request the appropriate agencies of the Federal Government, and I urge all our people, to observe that week and month with activities which will give merited prominence to the significant contributions which our voluntary agencies are making to the well-being of peoples in other lands.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this eleventh day of May, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.



PROCLAMATION 4054

Father's Day, 1971

By the President of the United States of America

May 19, 1971

A Proclamation

The fabric of American society is woven around the family and at the center of the family is the father.

Fatherhood can be one of the most enriching and most satisfying experiences in a man's life. But the role of the father is not an easy one. Often, his sacrifices are taken for granted, and—even at the times of greatest stress—he must always stand steady, providing the strength and stability on which a sound family life depends.

A man does not need to be applauded or given a citation for being a good father. Fatherhood is its own reward. But it is appropriate that the Nation pause every so often to recognize the contributions which the fathers of America have made to their families, their communities, and their country.

To that end, the Congress, by a joint resolution approved December 28, 1970, designated the third Sunday in June of 1971 as Father's Day and requested the President to issue a proclamation calling for its observance.